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TRINITY TIDINGS

Trinity Lutheran Church

Summer in the Son

You probably know all about Vacation Bible School by now. At Trinity our VBS Family Nights are full of games, food, faith and Jesus! But you might not know quite as much about our program that helps run it, which we call "Summer in the Son".

It's a student leader program for VBS called "Summer in the Son" (pardon the pun!). If you've volunteered or participated with Vacation Bible School before you've probably seen these students with their neon-colored shirts leading games, ushering groups of kids/families from place to place, helping with crafts, and even leading Bible activities! The twenty or so middle and high school youth who sign up also start the day long before Summer in the Son, with a fun activity such as going to a water park.

What makes this program especially meaningful is not just what students do, but what they become through it. The program is an example of the power of summer activities for youth when it comes to faith formation. Of course we have kids coming to church all year round and we have amazing experiences then! But I always see the most growth from youth in the summers. And that's because summer is when they can put their spiritual growth into action.

Kids who participate in Summer in the Son have a chance to be disciples and in many ways that is so much more impactful than simply learning about it! The same holds true for mission trips and church camp experiences. Getting a chance to live out what they believe can be a life changing experience.

So as summer begins, don't forget that some of the most meaningful moments of faith formation happen outside the usual routine—when young people are given the chance to lead, serve, and grow.



The Trinity's Men's Group will be hosting Coffee Hour on June 7th, please contact Chris Darst for opportunities to serve our congregation and community.

Trinity's Men's Group is always open to new people, please keep an eye out for upcoming opportunities to serve. Feel free to contact Chris at ChrisDarst000@gmail.com if you have any questions or suggestions to help our community. Thank you, Chris

Children & Youth Ministry News

Family Sunday School/Children's Ministry

Family Sunday School wrapped up in May with our end of the year party and blessing of six 5th grade students. We are now on break for the summer and we'll be back again in September. We hope to see you this summer at VBS Family Nights! May the love of Jesus shine bright in all your summer fun with family and friends!



VBS Family Nights

We are looking forward to VBS Family Nights this summer! We will gather 3 Wednesday evenings, June 10, 17, and 24, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Trinity. We will share a meal together and learn about God's love filling us up through Bible stories, games, art, science, music, and service. Thank you to everyone who donated snacks and supplies! We are grateful for the adult leaders and 20 youth leaders who will be helping with our program this summer. Emails will be sent to registered families when T-shirts are available for pick up.



EDGE High School Youth Group/Summer in the Son

Summer in the Son kicks off this June for our middle school and high school youth. We have trips planned for mini golf, swimming, and wildlife exploring before coming back to set up, serve, and help with VBS each night. Thank you to all our adult leaders and youth leaders for helping out this year! We are also looking forward to our mission trip to Madison in July! Summer blessings to all our youth and families! Jesus loves you and so do we!



NB Breakfast Club Thank You - Thank you to everyone who volunteered or donated to NB Breakfast Club this school year! We ended the year with 90 students in attendance! We will be back again in the fall on October 7. To donate towards the cost of the meals we feed the students, please note "Breakfast Club" on your donation or you can donate online. Thank you!



Class of 2026 Baccalaureate Service -

Wednesday, June 3, at 7:00 p.m. at the North Branch Area High School Auditorium. Baccalaureate is a time where the community and area churches gather together to honor the graduating class. All senior students, their families, and the public are invited and welcome to this non-denominational service. This year's Baccalaureate will include music, scripture, speaker, prayer, and blessing for the Class of 2026.



The 5/31 Noisy Offering collection will go to Osprey Wilds Environmental Learning Center in Sandstone. If you have a suggestion for future noisy

offering recipients, please fill out the green form found on the table in the narthex. Thank you!

Trinity hosts the Path Program July 5-19 Evening hosts, overnight hosts, and donations of evening meals are needed. Please sign up in the narthex if you can help out. This will be our last hosting before the families move to the new location.

All are invited to the open house of the new shelter from noon to 4:00 p.m. on Friday, June 26. See the impact of your generosity, tour the new space and see how families are served with safety, dignity and support. 1615 Garland St. S, Cambridge.



A New Member Class will be held at 10 a.m. Sunday, May 31, with the receiving of new members during our 9:00 a.m. service Sunday, June 7. All are welcome! See Pastor Paul with questions.



Our Little Free Libraries are in need of books for all ages. Our supply is depleted. Donations can be placed in the bin inside Door 12. Thank you!

Noisy Offering ideas are needed from the congregation. We would like our members to give the Outreach Team a name and address of a 501c3 organization which you are fond of and which we could dedicate to our special Noisy Offering Sunday (the months which have five Sundays). Outreach always contributes an additional \$500 to what is collected. There are green sign up forms and a form box in the Narthex for your use.

Trinity's Outreach Committee reminds the congregation that Outreach includes giving to our members, friends and families. We want to reach those in need right in our church home and will provide confidential gifts to all in need. Please contact Julie or Martha Arnold at marthaarnold@me.com your requests.

Thank you to all who contributed in any way to make the Blessing Bags possible once again! We were able to pack 50 bags of essentials to be distributed by Pathways and the NBPD because of your continued support! With gratitude, Lori Fisk



Shobi's Table is having their Summer Kick Off Sunday, June 14 at Christ on Capitol Hill, 105 University Ave W. in Saint Paul.

This is a great way to support this ministry to our St. Paul neighbors who suffer from food insecurity and learn more about them.

Eric Gustafson spoke about Shobi's Table at our Advent Tea .

Gifts Given to the Glory of God

Cemetery Fund in memory of Sharalyn Olson from Ron & Kathy Aho. Ken & Tammy Reichkitzer, Eria Bjerketvedt, Becky Johnson, Emily Waldoch, Michael & Kim Schroer, Bob & Cindy Boyce, Sharon Fairbanks, Butch Olson, Dean Anderson, Jim & Caryl Nelson, Mary Jo Vaughn, Don & Roberta Elmstrand, Lorraine Wenzel & Danette Johnson, Albert & Ann Tanko, Rosanne & Gary Johnson, Tom & Terri Moriarty, Carol Gustafson, Rick & Kathy Hals, Mary Sederberg, Jo Ann Dolezalek, Michelle & Donald Gangl, S.H. Lindgren, Joni & Kevin Hogie, Kris & Randall Fisk, Brad & Eunice Whipps, NB Volunteer Fire Dept. Relief Association, James & Erin Fallon, Ron Hals & Elaine Berreau Hals, Lynn & Paul Anderson, Joyce Groettum, Don & Carol Ramberg, Scott & Teresa Swanson, Gwyn Connoy, Gregory Seurer, Martin & Jody Johnson, Lois Johnson, Juliann & Brad Wilcox, John & Judy Pohl, Marlin & Lois Ness, Neil & Carla Norelius, Sharon Ellis, Kerry & Debra Johnson, Steve & Lori Blomauist, Max Malmquist, Ron Lindquist & Mary DeVries-Lindquist, Ted & Jody Nemetz, Carolyn Lammers, Dan & Char Smith

Kitchen Fund in memory of Sharalyn Olson from Butch Olson, Jon & Trudy Trendera,

Breakfast Club in memory of Sharalyn Olson from Jay & Karen Young, Judy Weiss, Roy & Kelly Ramberg

Music in memory of Sharalyn Olson from Mary Jo & Harry Fleming Jr, Roy & Kelly Ramberg

EDGE Youth Ministry in memory of Sharalyn Olson from Roy & Kelly Ramberg

Sunday School/Children's Ministry in memory of Sharalyn Olson from Mike & Mary Kay Linder, Kris & Todd Fairbanks

Blessing Bags in memory of Sharalyn Olson from Gary Decker & Jill Nelson Decker

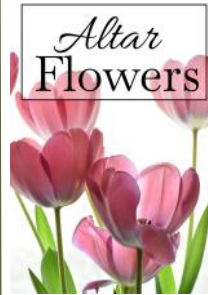
Senior Socials in memory of Sharalyn Olson from Jean Fairbanks, Darrel & Jane Fisk, Ron & Diane Barsness, Bonnie Nelson, Mandi Irkftetz & Jesse Lavalla, Bev Otterness, Kathy Fisk, Tom & Candi Hals, Craig Strandberg & Janelle Mork, Susan Gustafson, Kirby & Jan Ekstrom, David & Samantha Fisk, Dennis Johnson, Loren & Jane Magnison, Mike & Barb Nelson, Connie Deminsky & Linda McConn, Joanne Aakhus, Lance & Julie Morgan

Greeting cards are sent periodically to our homebound members. If you are not receiving cards from Trinity and would like to be added to the mailing list, please call the office at 651-674-7047 and we will add you!



Join us for Coffee Hour and Fellowship following the first service each week. It's a great opportunity to meet new friends!

Sign up on the bulletin board to help out.



To sponsor altar flowers, please sign up on the calendar near the church office, and bring a plant or an arrangement of fresh flowers prior to 8:45 a.m. that day. See Julie with questions.

The Outreach Committee will be meeting the second Tuesday of every month at 9 a.m. in the Genesis Room. Many exciting projects are being planned for the next few months. Come and join us June 9.

Martha Arnold, Chair person.



Our Women's Bible Study meets at 9:00 a.m. Thursday mornings in our Genesis Room. All are welcome!



We are looking for volunteers to help out as ushers, greeters and communion assistants at our worship services. Training is available if desired. If you are interested in helping out in this way please sign up in the narthex, or talk with Julie or Dani. Thank you!



To submit a prayer chain prayer request or to be added to the email recipient list, please call the office or email office@trinitynorthbranch.org

Are you receiving the Tidings by e-mail and by regular mail?

To reduce our expenses and receive only the email version, contact Julie at office@trinitynorthbranch.org

Trinity's grocery shelf has seen continued use. Non-perishable or personal care items, may be placed on the shelf. We have a freezer available as well. We have multiple requests for gas cards. If you'd like to make a monetary donation, note "Grocery Shelf " or "Gas Cards" on your donation and we will do the shopping for you. Thank you for supporting our community in this way!

ALTAR GUILD

Serving for the month of June

Becky Grote
Connie Deminsky



Fare for All

3:00-5:00 p.m. Wednesday, June 17.

Fare for All is open to everyone! The more who shop the better the buying power of the organization. www.fareforall.org



Please email articles for the July Trinity Tidings to office@trinitynorthbranch.org by June 15. Thank you!



Our weekly worship will be available each Sunday live at 9:00 a.m. on our YouTube channel, and about 90 minutes later on our facebook page. Links can be found on our website.

Like Trinity Lutheran Church on facebook, and comment on our posts! Worship videos are posted each Sunday!



"Christ in Our Home" daily devotionals for April, May & June are in the Narthex.

Large and regular print books are available. If you'd like a copy, email jmorgan@trinitynorthbranch.org or leave a message for Julie at 651-674-7047 to pickup.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 9:00 am Fellowship Team meeting	2 	3 7:00 pm Baccalaureate at the High School auditorium	4 9:00 am Women's Bible Study 	5	6
7 Worship Service/ Communion 9:00 am 10:00 am Coffee Hour	8 	9 9:00 am Outreach meeting	10 12:00 pm Summer in the Son 5:30 pm Vacation Bible School	11 9:00 am Women's Bible Study 5:00pm Senior Social 5:30 pm Praise Team	12	13
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28 Worship Service/ Communion 9:00 10:00 am Coffee Hour Middle School Mission Trip begins	29	30				



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Lutheran Church

NORTH BRANCH

Statement of Income and Expenses

Month Ending April 30, 2026

Category	April Actual	April Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Unified Giving	\$ 34,767	\$ 36,165	\$ 129,235	\$ 144,658
Loose Offering	\$ 830	\$ 958	\$ 2,862	\$ 3,833
Other Income	\$ 6,344	\$ 6,538	\$ 9,803	\$ 9,900
Phoenix Operating Reimbursement	\$ -	\$ 2,375	\$ 9,730	\$ 10,025
Total Regular Giving	\$ 41,941	\$ 46,035	\$ 151,629	\$ 168,416
	April Actual	April Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Expenses				
Mission Support				
Synod Support	\$ 2,429	\$ 2,429	\$ 9,717	\$ 9,717
Missionaries	\$ 188	\$ 188	\$ 750	\$ 750
Iringa Church Tanzania	\$ 92	\$ 92	\$ 367	\$ 367
Sub-total Mission Expenses	\$ 2,708	\$ 2,708	\$ 10,833	\$ 10,833
General Expenses				
Ministry Support	\$ 36,179	\$ 38,301	\$ 143,502	\$ 154,353
Church Property	\$ 10,161	\$ 10,433	\$ 41,630	\$ 41,026
Stewardship	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,702	\$ 2,000
Learning & Youth	\$ 311	\$ 1,739	\$ (340)	\$ 5,940
Worship	\$ 1,586	\$ 1,021	\$ 2,341	\$ 2,583
Audio Visual	\$ 10	\$ 225	\$ 418	\$ 900
Witness & Service	\$ (50)	\$ 83	\$ 49	\$ 333
Sub-total General Expenses	\$ 48,197	\$ 51,802	\$ 189,302	\$ 207,136
Total Regular Expenses	\$ 50,905	\$ 54,510	\$ 200,135	\$ 217,969
Total Net Income - April 2026	\$ (8,964)	\$ (8,475)	\$ (48,506)	\$ (49,553)
Unified Support - Phoenix	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000	\$ 48,000	\$ 48,000
Income Less Expense after Phoenix Support	\$ 3,036	\$ 3,525		
Total Net Income - Year-To-Date			\$ (506)	\$ (1,553)

April Income was \$4,094 under the April Budget
April Expense was \$3,605 under the April Budget

Net Income is \$3,036, for April
Net Income is -\$506 Year to Date

YTD Phoenix Rent Received \$52,803.33

Respectfully Submitted,

Todd J. Fisk

Treasurer

See our website www.trinitynorthbranch.org to give electronically on a one-time or recurring basis. Select the date and frequency (one time, weekly or monthly) and designate the amount and fund (Unified, Building, Viking Vittles, Memorial or Other.) Changes can easily be made at any time.

Offering can also be mailed to
Trinity Lutheran Church, PO Box 447,
North Branch, MN 55056. Thank you!

Contributions reminder: If mailing in your contribution or using online bill pay, please include P.O. Box 447 in the mailing address. Also, please mark your contribution so the monies are directed to the appropriate fund. Thank you!

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WE ARE HONORED TO WELCOME YOU TO THE OPEN HOUSE OF OUR NEW 24/7 SHELTER.

COME SEE THE IMPACT OF YOUR GENEROSITY, TOUR THE NEW SPACE, AND SEE HOW WE CAN NOW SERVE EVEN MORE FAMILIES WITH SAFETY, DIGNITY, AND SUPPORT.

Lunch will be served while supplies last.

**FRIDAY, JUNE 26, 2026
 NOON TO 4 PM
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 1615 GARLAND ST S
 CAMBRIDGE, MN 55008**



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YOUR SUPPORT BUILT THIS. YOUR COMPASSION FILLS IT. WE HOPE YOU CAN JOIN US!

Audio Visual Position Openings

1. Audio Tech - Up to 8hrs/Week Position Summary: The Audio Technician is responsible for implementing the audio aspects of the worship plan as set by the Lead Pastor and the Worship Director. This includes (but not limited to) mixing sound and working with Audio Booth volunteers. This includes (but not limited to) Sunday worship services, midweek practices (usually Thursday evenings) and other special services that take place during the year. An important part of this job is to recruit and train volunteers or paid substitutes to support or fill in as needed.

2. Worship Media Tech - Up to 8hrs/Week

Position Summary: The Worship Media Technician is responsible for producing weekly worship power point media and other visual media as directed by the Lead Pastor and the Worship Director. This includes (but not limited to) Sunday worship services and other special services that take place during the year, as well as running the slides during worship. An important part of this job is to recruit and train volunteers or substitutes to support or fill in as needed.

These jobs are combinable upon request. Please spread the word if you know of someone who might be qualified. For full job descriptions visit our website: www.trinitynorthbranch.org.

Ed will be with us through June 21. We thank Ed for his time at Trinity, and wish him the best!



Attendance & Views

Date	In person	Online
4/12	8a 61 10a 99	168 193
4/19	8a 54 10a 100	261 138
4/26	8a 26 10a 57	133 153
5/3	8a 116 10a 275	97 94

TWIGS upcoming events

MARK YOUR CALENDAR - SAVE THE DATE

TRIENNIAL GATHERING
 (National Women of the
 ELCA convention)
 July 16 - 19 2026 in
 Des Moines, Iowa

THEME: I AM WORTHY
 (PSALM 39:14)

Visit welcatg.org or see

Ann Tanko for
 more information

Trinity will not be holding a rummage sale this year.

We encourage donating to and volunteering at Shalom, as Trinity receives funds to be used towards community needs through our volunteers there.

Shalom Thrift Store volunteers needed.

A member commits to working 4 hours one day a week each week. Shifts are 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. or 12:30-4:00 p.m. Duties include pricing, sorting, accepting donations, cash register at the Cambridge store. As a team we receive a monthly stipend for the Outreach program at Trinity. If you are interested in helping out contact Julie, Carol Gustafson or Connie Deminsky. Carpooling may be an option. It is fun and it is rewarding!



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Partners in Ministry: The People of Trinity

Church Office: 651-674-7047 Church Fax: 651-674-7048
Church Office Hours: 8:00 am-3:00 pm Monday-Thursday
Sunday Worship: 9 am
(available on YouTube and facebook, links on our website)
Church email: office@trinitynorthbranch.org
Church website: www.trinitynorthbranch.org

Pastor Paul Cannon	ext. 12
Sue Danielzuk, Church Administrator	ext. 37
Marie Ray, Director of Youth & Family Ministries	ext. 13
Courtney Fairbanks, Sunday School Coordinator	ext. 15
Melissa Westmore, Director of Music	ext. 14
Julie Morgan, Church Office Manager	ext. 10
Danielle Baumann, Volunteer Coordinator	
Christopher Dehen, Financial Recorder	
Audio Tech	
Video Technician Evan Spinler	

Roger Anderson & Joe Gosewisch,
Custodians

Shari Denny, Cemetery Staff

Outreach Committee:
Outreach@trinitynorthbranch.org

Todd Fisk, Church Treasurer

Missionaries: Our Sister Congregation in
Tanzania—Pawaga

Church Council Members:

Dan Peterson, Council Chair

Alanna Baker, Tiffany Byrne, Shari Denny,
Jeremy Edson, Jeff Johnson, Steve Mork,
John Swenson, Jennie Tedrow



**Our summer worship
schedule is underway,
with one service at
9:00 a.m. each week,
followed by our Coffee &
Fellowship Hour.
Services will continue to
be available on Facebook
and YouTube.**



Senior Socials 2026

All community seniors are invited to join our Senior Socials! Have a great meal, sing along to toe-tappin' music, play games and visit with other seniors. There is no cost, so everyone can join! Call to RSVP to the church a week ahead, if you are able.

Where? Trinity Lutheran Church

38460 Lincoln Trail, North Branch, MN 651-674-7047

What time? 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Here are the dates and themes:

May 7th – Sports – wear a sports jersey or shirt if you like!

June 11th – The Roaring 20's

June 25th – Rescheduled from April Out of This World Theme

July 16th – In the Good Ol' Summertime AND Talent Show!

Sign up if you would like to show off your talent!

August 13th – Wizard of Oz

September 17th – 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. Western Swing and Full

Concert! Wear your favorite country western wear or dress as your favorite Country Music Star!



*Some of the seniors dress
for the theme. Feel free
to join in the fun!*

*Donations can be made to the
Trinity Lutheran Church office.*



Why Volunteer for Senior Socials?

1. To bring joy to those who brought us up - the people who have volunteered in our community and churches through our lives.
2. To connect all ages in our surrounding area.
3. To get out of the house! Loneliness and boredom do not just weigh on seniors, but people of all ages.
4. To give seniors a place to join others their age to support each other, laugh with each other, explore new things, and find new growth in their lives.

What do Volunteers do?

1. We laugh a lot!
2. Help prepare and serve food
3. Clear tables
4. Play games
5. Visit
6. Clean up (Putting chairs away, washing pans, wrapping up tablecloths, table decorations).

How long does it take?

You decide! You can come early to help decorate and cook, stay a little longer to help clean up, or you can just come during serving time. You can also volunteer just to sit with seniors and visit. It's up to you to make it what you want it to be. We appreciate any help we can get!



Kelly Roystad - contactkellyroystad@gmail.com

763-607-8427

Julie Morgan - jmorgand@trinitylutheranchurch.org

651-674-7047

Pawaga — Trinity, North Branch

POMERINI SECONDARY SCHOOL,

P.O. BOX 1681,

IRINGITA-KILOLO

16th January 2020

Dear sponsor,

God is good, I hope that you are fine and me I'm fine too. I thank, almighty God I'm continuing well with my studies and other activities which makes us to be at school.

The aim of write this letter is the word of thanks to you my sponsor for your sponsorship, may almighty God bless you with your family as well as your business and activities.

Also thank you very much for helping my parent so as to success my dream. May almighty God bless you and you may have a well and blessed moment forever.

Your Faithful,

S. Kanega,

Samson Kanega.

BEGA KWA BEGA

Trinity has received some letters from our Pawaga students. Bega Kwa Bega is not a professionally run organization like larger ones that have permanently stationed folks helping oversee things. We have volunteers that spend time there and coordinate activities, visitor visits, student scholarships and the list goes on. The theme of this relationship is presence, projects and prayer. Our sister congregation in Pawaga prays for us!

I am sharing one of the letters we received and will share more. Please know what a difference these scholarships make, as these students will come back and bring new skills to their villages. It is an investment in eternity.

Asante Sana (thank you)

Ann Tanko